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A BILL FOR

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1 An Act concerning the purchase of creditable service and postretirement adjustments to benefits under the municipal fire and police retirement system. 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 411.6, subsection 12, paragraph d, Code 2 2007, is amended to read as follows:

d. A retired member eligible for benefits under subsection 4 1 of this section is not eligible for the readjustment of 5 pensions provided in this subsection unless the member served 6 twenty=two years and attained the age of fifty=five years 7 prior to the member's termination of employment or the member 8 has made a purchase of the benefit provided under this 9 subsection pursuant to section 411.6D.

1 10 Sec. 2. <u>NEW SECTION</u>. 1 11 PENSION BENEFIT PURCHASE. 411.6D ANNUAL READJUSTMENT OF

1. An active member of the system who has been a member of 1 13 the retirement system four or more years may elect to purchase 1 14 eligibility to receive an annual readjustment of pension 1 15 provided by section 411.6, subsection 12, subject to the 1 16 requirements of this section.

- 1 17 2. A member seeking to purchase eligibility to receive an 1 18 annual readjustment of pension pursuant to this section shall 1 19 file a written application with the system requesting an 20 actuarial determination of the cost of the purchase and pay 21 the costs incurred by the system in determining the cost of 1 22 the purchase. Upon receipt of the cost estimate for the 1 23 purchase, the member has sixty days to sign a written 1 24 agreement to purchase eligibility to receive an annual 1 25 readjustment of pension and make contributions to the system 1 26 in an amount equal to the actuarial cost of the purchase of 27 eligibility. If a member retires within sixty days of the 28 member's receipt of the cost estimate, the member has ninety 1 29 days from the member's retirement date to purchase eligibility 30 to receive an annual readjustment of pension.
- 1 31 3. For purposes of this section, the actuarial cost of the 1 32 purchase of eligibility to receive an annual readjustment of 1 33 pension as provided by section 411.6, subsection 12, is an 34 amount determined by the system in accordance with actuarial 35 tables, as reported to the system by the system's actuary, 1 which reflects the actuarial cost necessary to fund an 2 increased retirement benefit resulting from the purchase.
 - Sec. 3. <u>NEW SECTION</u>. 411.10 PURCHASE OF SERVICE CREDIT. 1. An active member of the system who has been a member of 5 the retirement system four or more years may elect to purchase 6 up to three years of service credit that will be recognized by the retirement system for purposes of calculating a member's 8 benefit, pursuant to Internal Revenue Code section 415(n) and
- 9 the requirements of this section.

 10 2. a. A member seeking to purchase service credit
 11 pursuant to this section shall file a written application with 2 10 2 12 the system requesting an actuarial determination of the cost 2 13 of a purchase of service credit and pay the costs incurred by 2 14 the system in determining the cost of the purchase of service. 2 15 Upon receipt of the cost estimate for the purchase of service 2 16 from the system, the member has sixty days to sign a written 2 17 agreement to purchase service credit, including the specific
- 2 18 number of months or years to be purchased, and make
- 2 19 contributions to the system in an amount equal to the

2 20 actuarial cost of the service credit purchase. If a member 2 21 retires within sixty days of the member's receipt of the cost 2 22 estimate, the member has ninety days from the member's 2 23 retirement date to purchase the service credit.

b. For purposes of this subsection, the actuarial cost of 25 the service credit purchase is an amount determined by the 26 system in accordance with actuarial tables, as reported to the 27 system by the system's actuary, which reflects the actuarial 2 28 cost necessary to fund an increased retirement allowance 29 resulting from the purchase of service credit.

2 30 3. The system shall ensure that the member, in exercising 2 31 an option provided in this section, does not exceed the amount 32 of annual additions to a member's account permitted pursuant 33 to section 415 of the federal Internal Revenue Code. EXPLANATION

This bill makes changes to the municipal fire and police 1 retirement system of Iowa (MFPRSI) created in Code chapter 2 411.

New Code section 411.6D permits current members of MFPRSI 4 with at least four years of service to purchase eligibility to 5 receive an annual readjustment of their pension during 6 retirement if they would not otherwise be eligible to receive 7 this benefit. Under current law, only members who served 22 8 years and attained the age of 55 years prior to the member's 9 termination of employment are eligible for this readjustment 3 10 of their pension during retirement. The bill provides that a 11 member who wishes to purchase this benefit shall make 12 application to the system and pay the costs incurred by the 3 13 system in determining the actuarial cost of purchasing the 3 14 benefit. Upon receipt of the cost of purchasing this benefit, 3 15 the member has 60 days to agree to purchase the benefit and to 3 16 pay the actuarial cost of purchasing the benefit. If the 3 17 member retires within that 60=day period, the bill allows the 3 18 member 90 days from the date of retirement to purchase the 3 19 benefit. The actuarial cost of the purchase is defined as the 3 20 cost necessary to fund an increased retirement benefit 3 21 resulting from the purchase.

3 22 New Code section 411.10 permits current members of MFPRSI 3 23 with at least four years of service to purchase up to three 24 years of service credit under the system. The bill provides 25 that the member is required to pay the full actuarial cost of 26 the service purchase and must make application with the 3 27 retirement system for the purchase of service. The bill 28 provides that a member who wishes to purchase service credit 29 shall make application to the system and pay the costs 3 30 incurred by the system in determining the actuarial cost of 31 purchasing the service credit. Upon receipt of the cost of 32 purchasing service credit, the member has 60 days to agree to 33 purchase the service credit, or so much of the purchase as the 34 member designates, and to pay the actuarial cost of purchasing 35 the service credit. If the member retires within that 60=day 1 period, the bill allows the member 90 days from the date of 2 retirement to purchase the service credit. The actuarial cost 3 of the service purchase is defined as the cost necessary to 4 fund an increased retirement allowance resulting from the 5 purchase of the service credit.

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